

Regular meeting of the City Council : Austin, Texas, November 1st 1917:

The Council was called to order by the Mayor: Roll called:

Present Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Absent none:

The minutes of the last regular and subsequent recessed meetings were read and adopted:

Reports of City Officers:

The Mayor laid before the Council the report of the Dog Catcher, the Public Weigher, for Sept 1917, and that of the Supt of the Water & Light Plant for the month of Sept 1917, which were read and ordered filed:

The Mayor laid before the Council a resolution ordering the improvement of a certain part of 5th street, in the City of Austin, and approving specification proposal, contract and bond therefor, which had been read the first time on the 25th of October 1917, and laid over for one week. The resolution was read and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Councilman Powell presented the following report of the City Engineer:

Austin, Texas 1 Nov 1917:

Report of the City Engineer as to paving assessment on West 5th street between the west property line of Colorado street and the east curb line of Lavacca street.

To the Hon Mayor and City Council .

City of Austin,

Texas.

Gentlemen :

I herewith submit to you my report as to improvements on West 5th street from the west property line of Colorado street to the curb line of Lavacca street, as follows, To-wit:

I estimate the total cost of the said improvements, in accordance with the contract and specifications therefor, at the sum of \$ 4,251.58.

The above estimate includes all excavations, curbs, rebuilding of curbs, drainage system and the cost of, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Paving.

I estimate the total cost of said improvements ( not including the cost of curb, which is 35 cents per lineal foot) to owners of the abutting property per front foot at \$ 6.8933.

The above estimate (\$ 6.8933) includes excavation on the roadways to the depth of the pavement, (7") - this being the thickness of the Bitulithic pavement, including concrete base, additional excavation to be done by the City.

Other data is as follows:-

Width of roadway	60 feet
Each abutter to pay for the curb and $\frac{1}{2}$ the cost of paving the street in front of his property.	
Cost of pavement per Sq Yd	\$ 2.068
Total cost of pavement per front foot	\$ 6.8933
Total cost of pavement per front foot including curbing	\$ 7.2433

Reports:  
Dog catcher  
Public weigher  
W & L Dept

Ordering improvement of 5th st.

Report of City Engineer  
High street  
Paving

Estimate of City's cost.

To- one strip 60' X 21.5' - 1.290 sq ft  
To -2 - 10' radius areas at 21.5' - 43 " "

1.333 sq ft - 1.48 sq yds at \$ 2.668\_ 1.333 sq ft  
To 80 lineal feet Oak headers @ \$ 0.08 \$ 306.06  
Total cost to City . 6.40  
\$ 322.46.

The names of the persons ,estates or corporations owning property on theportion of the street to be improved ,with a description of their property and amounts payable by each owner, are as follows to\$ wit :

Respectfully submitted :

(Sgd ) C E Leonard, City Engineer.

Paving estimate of west 5th street from Colorado to Lavacca streets.

Property Owners,	Lot,	Block,	Frontage,	cost of Paving	Total cost	Owner
F T Connerly,	So 68 feet of 4,5 & 6	54.	138'	\$ 961.27	\$ 951.27	
Jos Stumpf	# 3& E 28' of 2,	5 4	74'	510.10		
	99.5 ' ft of curb			Cost of curb \$ 34.82	.544.92.	
Mrs M E H Matthews	land west 18' of 2,	54,	65'	448.06		
	65 Lin ft Curbs			\$ 22.75	470.81	
A J Zilker	7,8 & 9.	44.	136.5'	940.94		
	76.5' lin ft Curb			\$ 26.77	967.71	
Alfred Smith	10,	44	136.5'	317.09	317.09	
Geo Fiegel Sr	11& 12,	44	136.5'	651.42		
	74 lin ft curb			25.90	677.32	
	Totals		554'	\$ 3,818.88		
			315 lin ft curb ,	\$ 110.24	\$3,929.12.	

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Resolution approving City Engineer's report concerning improvements upon west 5th street , in this City, from the west property line of Colorado street to the east curb line of Lavacca street, and directing a hearing to property owners concerning the assessment for part of the cost of such improvements against them and their property, fixing a time for said hearing and dire otting that a notice be given to said property owners concerning the said hearing.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas, has heretofore determine to improve west 5th street ,from the west property line of Colorado street to the east curb line of Lavacca street ,in the City of Austin, Texas, by paving the same with standard Bitulithic pavement upon gravel concrete foundation with concrete gutters along curb lines and necessary excavation ,and has adopted specifications for said work and has entered into a contract for the same with the Texas Bitulithic Company a Corporation ; and  
Whereas, the City Engineer of the City of Austin, Texas, has this day filed his report in writing with the City Council, showing the total cost of the said improvements upon the said street ,the amount per front foot of abutting property to be paid by the owners thereof and also the names of persons, estates or corporations owning property abutting on said improvements ,with a description of their property and a ststatement of the total amount payable by each of said owners for said improvements; and

Whereas, the necessity exists that a portion of the cost of said improvements should be assessed against said property owners and their property, subject to the terms of the

Approving as  
Engineer's report  
put in file  
at Austin

.Charter of the City of Austin and the ordinance in such cases made and provided, and after the notice and hearing provided by said Charter and ordinance;

Now therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

1. That the said report of the City Engineer, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted.

2. That a portion of the cost of making the said improvements shall be assessed against said owners of property abutting on west 5th street, in this City, from the west property line of Colorado street to the east curb line of Lavacca street, in the City of Austin, Texas, and against said property, that the said assessment shall be made at the rate of \$ 6.8933 (not including curbing ) per front foot of such property in accordance with the front foot rule or plan, in proportion as the frontage of each owner in each block of said street is to the whole frontage in that block to be improved, provided that if said rule of apportionment shall appear to the City Council to be unjust or unequal in any particular case, or to result in an assessment in excess of the benefits received through said improvement by any owner or his property, the City Council shall adopt such rule of apportionment as shall effect substantial equality and justice between said property owners, considering benefits received by and burdens imposed upon said owners, and that in no case shall any assessment be made in excess of the actual benefits received by the owner of said property through the enhanced value thereof by means of said improvements.

3. That a hearing shall be given before the Council to said property owners on the 15th day of November, A D 1917, at ten O'clock A M, in the City of Austin, Texas, at which hearing said property owners, their agents or attorneys shall be fully and fairly heard as to all matters concerning the said improvements or any irregularity or invalidity in the proceedings with reference thereto, or as to the benefits thereof, if any, to their property, and as to the assessment proposed to be made against them and their property, and as to any other matter or thing connected therewith. At which hearing the said owners shall have the right to produce witnesses and testimony, and which hearing shall be adjourned from time to time and from day to day until all are fully heard and all matters in connection with the said improvements and assessment fully ascertained; that after the said hearing shall be closed, said City Council will proceed to assess against owners of property upon said street and their property, who shall agree with the said Council upon the said assessments, such sums as may be so agreed upon, and determined as provided by the Charter of the City and the said ordinance; and that as to any such property owners who may not so agree, the City Council will, after said hearing appoint a commission to determine said assessment, and will take such further steps in ascertainment thereof as are provided by the Charter and ordinance.

4. That the Supt of streets and public improvements of the said City of Austin, is hereby directed to give notice hereof to the said property owners, their agents and Attorneys by publication of a copy of this resolution not  
would be 7/20/21

less than twice in the Austin Statesman, a daily paper of general circulation in the City of Austin, the first publication to be not less than five days prior to the date of hearing.

5. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its passage.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

The Mayor laid before the Council the following resolution :

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas :

That for good and sufficient causes unto the City Council shown, the fine and costs, amounting to \$ 14.80, imposed against Hellen White, in the Corporation Court in the City of Austin, Texas, in cause No 12513, for automobile speeding, be and the same are hereby remitted.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

Application of Leon Holeman for license as driver of service car was presented, and license granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none:

Councilman Powell offered the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That the following grades for the center line of east Nellie street between South Congress Avenue and Newning Avenue, be and the same are hereby established as follows:

Beginning at Street Railway track on South Congress Avenue, denoted on profile as Station Zero, with an elevation of 449.40.

At station No 1, with an elevation of	499.80
At station No 1.50, with an elevation of	500.50
At station No 2, with an elevation of	502.00
At station No 2.50 with an elevation of	504.80
At station No 3, with an elevation of	507.30
At station No 3.50 with an elevation of	509.00
At station No 3.90 with an elevation of	509.80
At station No 4.10 with an elevation of	509.80
At station No 4.40 with an elevation of	509.20
At station No 4.60 with an elevation of	508.40
At station No 500 with an elevation of	506.30
At station No 600 with an elevation of	497.60
At station No 680 with an elevation of	491.00
At station No 700 with an elevation of	490.00
At station No 720 with an elevation of	489.40
At station No 750 with an elevation of	489.00
At station No 780 with an elevation of	489.20
At station No 820 with an elevation of	490.40
At station No 880 with an elevation of	493.60
At station No 940 with an elevation of	496.10
At station No 960 with an elevation of	496.80
At station No 990 with an elevation of	497.60

Helen White  
fine

Leon Holeman  
driver license

Center Line  
Nellie street

. At station No 1010 with an elevation of	497.60
At station No 1050 with an elevation of	496.60
At station No 11.00 with an elevation of	494.80
At station No 11.50 with an elevation of	493.20
At station No 22.00 with an elevation of	492.60
At station No 12.50 with an elevation of	492.80
At station No 13.00 with an elevation of	493.40
At station No 13.50 with an elevation of	495.00
At station No 14.00 with an elevation of	497.50
At station No 14.50 with an elevation of	500.90
At station No 14.90 with an elevation of	503.40
At station No 15.10 with an elevation of	504.40
At station No 15.40 with an elevation of	505.60
At station No 15.60 with an elevation of	505.80
At station No 15.90 with an elevation of	505.40
At station No 16.10 with an elevation of	504.60
At station No 16.45 with an elevation of	502.50

Be it further resolved:

That the width of roadway of East Nollei street be, and the same is hereby established at 38 feet between curbs .

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5  
Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor.

Mayor Wooldridge offered the following resolution :

Whereas, it appears that there is a judgement in Justice M M Johnson's Court of this City against Claud D Trawick in the sum of \$ 11.25, and costs amounting to \$ 3.35 for sewer service appariently owing by the said Claud D Trawick on his premises at 3904 Avenue "C", Dyde Park, City of Austin, Texas, and

Whereas, it appears that the said Claud D Trawick had sold said premises to one Hudson Maud on May 15th 1916, and was not liable for sewer service thereafter; and

Whereas, it further appears from the statement of H B Barnhart ,Special Attorbey, that the said Claud Trawick was not to be sued for sewer rentals in arrears until an apportionment of the amount owing should be made between the said Claud D Trawick and the said Hudson Maud ; and

Whereas, it appears from the same statement of the said H B Barnhart, special Attorney in charge of sewer connections , that said suit was brought in error; and

Whereas, it appears that \$ 5.62 is the full amount of the sewer rentals in arrears on said premises at No 3904. venue "C", Hyde Park, owning by the said Claud D Trawick,

Now therefore,

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That upon payment of \$ 5.62 ,by the said Claud D Trawick, to the Cashier of the sewer department ,the judgement againt the said Claud D Trweek, amounting

*Claud D. Trawick - Judg-  
ment for sewer  
rentals*

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to \$ 11.25, is receipted and released as against the said Claud D Traweck; and

Whereas, it appearing that the suit brought in this case in error and contrary to agreement with the said Claud D Traweck,

Therefore,

Be it further resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, Texas:

That said costs, amounting to \$ 3.35, are remitted against the said Claud D Traweck and agreed to be paid by the City of Austin, Texas.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none,

Approved, A P Wooldridge, Mayor:

November 7th 1917: All present:

*V.R. Deason's license*  
Application of V R Deason for license as driver of service car was presented, and license granted by the following vote:

Yeas Mayor Wooldridge, Councilmen Anthony, Bartholomew, Haynes & Powell 5

Nays none.

The Council then adjourned.

*Geo. Johnson*  
City Clerk